



First Presbyterian Church

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

- Founded 1792 -

*“For Christ in the Heart of Knoxville,”
the First Presbyterian Church seeks*

- *to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ*
- *to nurture those within its influence*
- *to serve spiritual and human needs*

Church School at 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship 9:30 a.m. & 10:40 a.m.

Worshipful Wednesday Evening Meal and Programs begin at 5:30 p.m.

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A Word of Welcome

To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are idle and look for service; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever will come; this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of Jesus Christ her Lord.

ORDER OF WORSHIP
TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11:00 a.m.

September 5, 2010

✠THE PREPARATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE✠

PRELUDE

Fantasy on *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

Kenneth Leighton

...the Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him!

Habakkuk 2:20

Worship begins with the Prelude. As we reverently enter the pews, please use this time for quiet reflection and prayer, so that we, individually and as a great crowd of witnesses, may prepare ourselves to reaffirm our devotion to Him who is the author and finisher of our faith.

CALL TO WORSHIP

O, tell me, people, have you reaped your harvest?

Yes, and left a sheaf of wheat for those who have no grain.

Once we were lowly slaves in that distant land called Egypt.

O, tell me, people, have you gathered in your grapes?

Yes, and left some on the vine for those who have no fruit.

Once we were lowly slaves in that distant land called Egypt.

O, tell me people, have you served your God?

Yes, we have toiled in our workplaces, on the streets and in our homes.

Now we worship God our Savior who led us out of Egypt's hand!

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN 476

O Worship the King, All glorious Above!

Lyons

†PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO LABOR *(All)*

We pray this day, O God, for those whose labor leaves them empty, frustrated, or depressed. If they cannot find satisfaction where they are, grant them the courage to persevere while they seek other employment. We pray for those whose labor will soon be ended by retirement, layoff, illness, or some other cause. If they do not know where their lives are headed, give them visions of new roads. We pray for those who have no work. If they have lost their pride, renew their dignity; if they are exploited, relieve them.

Remind us daily, dear God, that what we seek is daily bread. Let us not hoard the goods of the world but share them freely. Help us to be good stewards of your creation and good servants of your creatures, until all who labor and are heavy-laden are given rest. *(Silent personal confession)*

MUSICAL RESPONSE *(All)* 565

Kyrie

Weaver

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

†ASSURANCE OF PARDON

◆†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *(All)* 579

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us, we are free to forgive each other. Therefore members of the congregation are invited to turn to each other, saying: "The peace of Christ be with you", responding with "And also with you."

❖THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD❖

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 139:1-12
(Pew Bible, OT Page 577)

Pat Chambers

SPECIAL TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

◆† (three-year-olds through first graders may leave for Children's Church.)

ANTHEM

Pilgrim's Hymn

Stephen Paulus

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE LESSON

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Luke 14:25-33
(Pew Bible, NT Page 78)

SERMON

How Do We Hate for Jesus?

The Rev. Dr. Paul P. Rader

❖THE RESPONSE OF GOD'S PEOPLE❖

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*All*)

The Apostles' Creed (traditional)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

†HYMN OF RESPONSE 393

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

Bourbon

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PASSING OF THE FRIENDSHIP BOOKS

RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Ain'-a-That Good News

William Dawson

†DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

†HYMN 415

Come, Labor On

Ora Labora

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

†CHORAL BENEDICTION

God Be in My Head

John Rutter

POSTLUDE

Fanfare

Kenneth Leighton

†*Those who are able may stand*

◆*Ushers will seat those who are waiting*

NOTES ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICES

The Friendship Book is passed each Sunday for guests and members to sign. Guests' names and addresses are used to acknowledge your presence and welcome you to worship. In expressing what it means to be a *family of faith*, the church appreciates your willingness to share this information with us!

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY

Officer in Charge: Jennifer Manrod
Deacon of the Week: Rhonda Whitener
Phone Monitor: J. D. Lee
Library Worker: Barbara Villadsen

Nursery Workers: Susan Cwiek, Kally Elliott and Becky Ragsdale
Children's Church: Stacy and Robbie Davis, Connie Steele
and Josh Wright

LEADERS IN WORSHIP

Dr. William C. Pender Senior Pastor
Dr. Paul Rader Associate Pastor
Mr. J. Ashley Burell Organist/Choirmaster

Jehovah jireh (The Lord will provide)

The Hebrew words written across the chancel are taken from the twenty-second chapter of Genesis which tells the story of Abraham's willingness to sacrifice his son. The words were first handwritten on the chancel wall in 1866 by one of the church members working to restore the war-ravaged and much-abused buildings after they were returned to the congregation by the government.